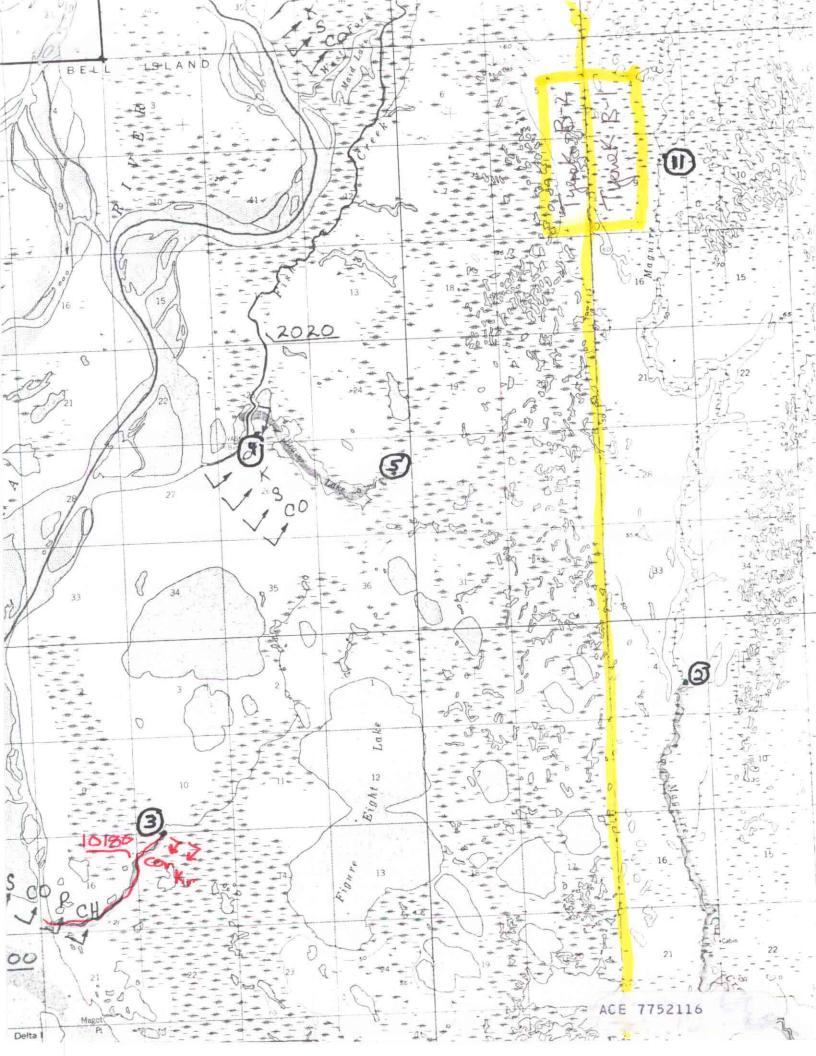
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Trip Report

Susitna Flats State

Game Refuge

FROM:

Stewart Seaberg Habitat Biologist Region II Habitat Division Department of Fish and Game

On June 24 and 25, 1987 surveys were conducted on a variety of streams on the Susitna Flats Game Refuge. The following is a summary and the results of this survey.

On June 24, Durand Cook and I departed for the Susitna Flats area aboard a Bell 206 helicopter at 8:30 a.m. Two minnow buckets baited with salmon roe were placed at each of the eleven sampling points shown on the attached map. The minnow buckets were left to soak overnight, and retrieved the next morning. The results by trapping location are also attached.

Chinook salmon fry were found in nearly all locations. Time did not allow us to measure fish but most fry were in the 1+ and 2+ age classes judging by size. Very few young of the year salmon were caught.

In the future it may be advantageous to fly the area to be surveyed beforehand in a fixed wing aircraft in order to pick out sampling points. Many areas that were picked out to sample did not seem to connect to any flowing water.

Attachments

cc: Don McKay

Debby Clausen

Susitna Flats Fish Trapping Results

TRAP #	RESULTS Sculpin	COMMENT
2	3 Chinook 2 Coho	Slow flowing, iron stained water.
3	29 Coho 27 Chinook	Many Stickelback, Dolly Varden and Burbot also caught.
4	4 Chinook 4 Coho	Upper intertidal zone.
5	4 Chinook	Slow flowing water.
6	7 Chinook	<pre>Very little (if any) flow, deep water.</pre>
7	14 Chinook	
8	12 Chinook	Excellent rearing, good spawning habitat.
9	23 Chinook	Confluence #8 and#10.
10	45 Chinook	Excellent rearing, good spawning habitat.
11	No fish	Slow flowing, iron stained water.